(c) whether more roads would be constructed in order to develop National Highways in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) 652 km of National Highways have been proposed for upgradation in Madhya Pradesh under North South and East West (NS-EW) corridor. Only four States have longer length of NS-EW Corridor than for Madhya Pradesh.

(c) Besides NS-EW Corridor 902 km of National Highways have been proposed to be taken up for construction in Madhya Pradesh under National Highway Development Project (NHDP-III&V).

Six-laning of NH-5 in A.P.

2678. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the exact stretches on N.H.-5 in Andhra Pradesh where six-laning would be taken up;

(b) the mileage of each of the sections where six-laning would be taken up in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the dates by which the work would commence;

(d) whether any effort has been made to interact with Road Safety Forum and explain the expected eviction of road-side dwellers; and

(e) the steps proposed to discuss, convince and apprise if the problems related to mass evictions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) The following sections/stretches of NH-5 in Andhra Pradesh are proposed to be taken up for six laning under NHDP Phase V:—

S.No.	Section	Length (Km.)
1.	Chilkaluripet-Vijayawada-Elluru-Rajahmundry	270
2.	Tada-Nellore Bypass	130
3.	Vishakhapatnam-Ankapalli-Rajahmundry	200
4.	Srikakulam-Vishakhapattnam	100
5.	Nellore-Chilkaluripet	183
6.	Icchapuram-Srikakulam	133

(c) The work of six laning is scheduled to start in 2008.

(d) and (e) At the time of preparation of feasibility reports, the consultants would consider the safety aspects and interact with all safety related fora. The number of evictions of road side dwellers will be known on completion of feasibility report.

Sakhileshpur-Mangalore Port section of NH

2679. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sakhleshpur-Mangalore Port section of the National Highway has become damaged and unserviceable due to heavy traffic by iron-ore carriers plying on the Bellary-mangalore Port route;

(b) Whether Government are aware that the condition of the roads in this ghat section poses threat to movement of ore-laden vehicles negotiating hair-pin-bends; and

(c) whether because of this bottleneck in ore movement by road, New Mangalore Port's capacity is not being utilized fully since the closure of oremining at Kudremukh mines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) A